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> **EXAMINER** Alana M. Harris, Ph.D. ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER 1642 01/08/2004 DATE MAILED:

Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

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The amendment filed December 2, 2003 is not fully responsive to the 1. communication mailed June 24, 2003 for the reasons set forth below:

Claim 34 seems to be a newly amended claim accordingly to the Response received December 2, 2003, however it is indicated as amended and not currently amended. It is not clear what other claims have been amended. Each claim must be clearly identified for example as original, new, currently amended, previously amended, cancelled and etc. interest of a clear record it is requested that the Appl In the Applicants should review all claims and properly denote the claim's status. Applicants' attention is directed to 37 C.F.R. 1.121, Manner of Making Amendments. It is required that Applicants proofreed and carefully review the said amendment and make the requried changes with a new amendment.

- 2 . Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME LIMIT MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a). Direct the response to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the response.
- Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner ALANA M. HARRIS: PH.D. Art Unit 1642, whose telephone number is (703)306-5880.

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